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RESOLUTION No. _____**

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25th anniversary in broadcasting.

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Whereas, WDSO-FM is a student run radio station located at Chesterton High School in Chesterton, Indiana, that has provided the Duneland community with daily programming and special sports and news broadcasts since November 1976;

Whereas, The station is a noncommercial, educational radio station owned by the Duneland School Corporation and operated by Chesterton High School students enrolled in broadcasting classes;

Whereas, The idea for the station was suggested by Greg Odle, a Chesterton High School graduate;

Whereas, In 1976, Dr. Karl H. Speckhard was superintendent of the Duneland Schools and William Crockett was principal of Chesterton High School. Jim Cavallo, Chesterton High School English teacher, was the first station manager, who, along with John Corso, Duneland School audiovisual coordinator, and Dan Beckley, Chesterton High School audiovisual coordinator, were responsible for preparing the station to go on the air. Community member Thomas Smith was the first FCC licensed operator;

Whereas, The original station broadcast at ten watts and



was located at FM 89.1 on the radio dial before a power increase in 1985 when it relocated to FM 88.3, where it continues broadcasting at 400 watts to approximately 150,000 residents in the Duneland area;

Whereas, WDSO would like to acknowledge that since 1976, Anton Insurance Agency, the Chesterton Tribune, First State Bank of Porter, and the John W. Anderson Foundation have supported the station's programming through yearly donations, and the First National Bank of Valparaiso, Chesterton Branch, has contributed to the station continuously since 1978; and

Whereas, WDSO has provided a training ground for high school students interested in broadcasting and has served the Duneland School Corporation as well as the Duneland community: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly would like to
- 2 recognize WDSO on the occasion of its 25th anniversary of
- 3 broadcasting in the Duneland area on February 12, 2002.
- 4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 5 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to H. Stephen
- 6 Hewlett, superintendent of the Duneland Schools; Janice Bergeson,
- 7 principal of Chesterton High School; Brent Barber, WDSO station
- 8 manager; Michele Stipanovich, WDSO operations manager; and the
- 9 2001-2002 WDSO staff members, Danny Nicoletto (program director),
- 10 Andrew Szafarczyk (music director), Joe Van Dyk (sports director),
- 11 Greg Duda (news director), Ed Barriball (training director), and Josh
- 12 Michaels (promotions director).

